

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 700

By Powell

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Ezra Carlisle Beasley, Jr.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Ezra Carlisle Beasley, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Carlisle Beasley was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beasley served with acumen and alacrity as Director of Pupil Transportation for Metro Nashville Public Schools (MNPS) from 1966 until his retirement in 1999, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and community alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, during his career with MNPS, he implemented one of the country's first desegregation plans through the creation of a busing program that served 50,000 students daily; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beasley served as the chairman of the School Transportation Executive Committee for the National Safety Council and was inducted into the National Association of Pupil Transportation Hall of Fame in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Carlisle Beasley was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife, Claudette; his son, Ezra Carlisle Beasley III; his daughters, June Fleming and Angela Freeman; and five grandchildren, Chandler Beasley, Will Beasley, Courtney Fleming, Chase Fleming, and Carlisle Freeman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beasley leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Ezra Carlisle Beasley, Jr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Beasley.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.